

Amendments to House Bill No. 678  
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Requested by Representative Glaser  
For the House Free Conference Committee

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1. Title, line 11.

**Following:** "GRANTS;"

**Insert:** "PROVIDING FUNDING FOR ENHANCED EARLY CHILDHOOD  
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS;"

2. Page 34, line 10.

**Insert:** "NEW SECTION. Section 7. Enhanced early childhood educational program -- funding. (1) A school district that does not implement a full-time kindergarten program pursuant to 20-7-117 may apply to the board of public education for funds to provide enhanced early childhood educational programs to students enrolled in kindergarten through third grade. The board of public education, with staff support from the office of public instruction, shall assess a district's application to ensure that the programs included in the application are research-proven and designed to improve students' school readiness or students' achievement or to narrow students' achievement gaps. Applications that do not meet these criteria may not be approved.

(2) If an application described in subsection (1) is approved, the office of public instruction shall disburse to the district a payment in an amount equal to the amount that the school district would have received if it provided full-time kindergarten. The office of public instruction shall count kindergarten enrollment in the previous year as full-time enrollment for the purposes of computing the payment under this subsection.

(3) The office of public instruction shall distribute the payment described in subsection (2) on the schedule for distribution of BASE aid and state advances for county equalization as provided in 20-9-344. The school district shall deposit the funds in the school flexibility fund provided for in 20-9-543. Funds received by the district under an approved application may be used only for paying the direct costs of providing the programs described in the application. Funds that are not spent for the direct costs of the programs described in the application must be returned to the office of public instruction."

**Insert:** "NEW SECTION. Section 8. {standard} Codification instruction. [Section 7] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 20, chapter 9, part 3, and the provisions

of Title 20, chapter 9, part 3, apply to [section 7]."  
**Renumber:** subsequent sections

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